have been held with the Governments of China and/or Pakistan or proposals made so far specifically addressing the idea of a common nuclear doctrine. Pakistani official spokesman described the idea as contained in EAM's media statement of 1 June 2004 'innovative' and requiring "further and deeper examination". China, in response to a query, reiterated its position on "complete prohibition and thorough destruction of nuclear weapons".

Facilities for confidence building measures

431. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have initiated many facilities for confidence building measures with Pakistan;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the response of Pakistan to these measures?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) to (c) During the Foreign Secretary level talks between India and Pakistan in New Delhi on June 27-28, 2004 discussion were held, *inter alia*, on the subject of Peace and Security including Confidence Building Measures, with the framework of the Composite Dialogue. The two Foreign Secretaries exchanged views on carrying the process forward in an atmosphere free from terrorism and violence. The two sides, *inter alia*, proposed a comprehensive framework for conventional CBMs aimed at initiating and enhancing communication, coordination and interaction. It was also agreed to immediately restore the strength of the respective High Commissions to the original level of 110; to immediately release all apprehended fishermen in each other's custody and put in place a mechanism for the return of unintentionally transgressing fishermen and their boats from high seas without apprehending them; and to initiate steps for early release of civilian prisoners. It was also agreed in principle to re-establish the Consulates General in Karachi and Mumbai.

The Foreign Secretaries also approved the measures recommended by the Expert level meeting on Nuclear CBMs that was held in New Delhi on 19-20 June, 2004. In the Joint Statement issued after this meeting on June 20 it was agreed, *inter alia*, to upgrade,

dedicate and secure the existing hotline between the DGMOs; establish a dedicated and secure hotline between the two Foreign Secretaries; and work towards concluding an Agreement on pre-notification of flight testing of missiles, a draft of which was handed over by the Indian side.

Illegal migration to foreign countries

432. SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA:

SHRI MOTILAL VORA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that a large number of cases are being reported by various embassies for defrauding people by promising to help them illegally entering the USA, UK, Canada and other countries;

(b) if so, the details of complaints received from various embassies during the last two years;

(c) whether some top musicians/singers/fake sports clubs are involved in this illegal trade; and

(d) if so, the details of cases reported so far and the action taken by Government to prevent such illegal migration to foreign countries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) Yes.

(b) A statement giving the details prepared on the basis of information received from various Indian Missions/Posts abroad is annexed. (*See* below)

(c) and (d) Some cases of such alleged involvement have been reported. The action taken by Government to prevent illegal migration to foreign countries include investigation by the police authorities concerned; action against the persons, including agents, who are involved in illegal migration; cooperation with other countries for repatriation of illegal migrants after confirming their Indian nationality; and restricting the facility of passport to illegal migrants.